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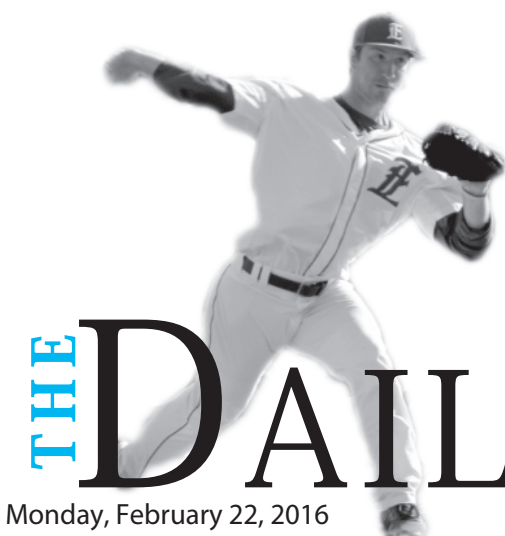
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The Unity Gospel Choir performs on Sunday in the University Ballroom. The purpose of the organization is to use songs to inspire members and listeners to be in touch with their faith.

CUPB updated on budget, accreditation

By Stephanie Markham
Editor-in-Chief | @stephm202

President David Glassman told the Council on University Planning and Budget Friday that Eastern will have a balanced budget once appropriations come through, which he expects to happen by the end of the semester.

He said Eastern's return letter to the Higher Learning Commission indicated that the educational experience has not been compromised by the state's budget impasse.

Glassman said the commission wanted to know if colleges and universities have been cutting programs, and Eastern has not had to do that. The commission received Eastern's budgetary materials indicating that the university has been operating within the amount it is anticipating for fiscal year 2016, about \$40 million.

The \$40 million estimate is based on the 6.5 percent cut initially proposed by the General Assembly. Glassman said he hopes the commission's inquiries will resonate with the legislature.

"I certainly appreciate, one the HLC being interested and concerned, and two laying down the issue to our state lawmakers that this is something beyond just the state," Glassman said. "This is talking about the accreditation of universities."

The final number of civil service layoffs was 177, down from the original estimate of 198.

"It is largely due to decisions that we made to keep Housing and Dining a little bit stronger so that there would be not an erosion of the student services that are provided to them in Housing and Dining," Glassman said.

Glassman said he discussed closing one of the dining halls but decided against it because they are paid for with bond rather than appropriated money. David Emmerich, the CUPB chair, asked whether the university was still on track to save the \$5 million it projected with fewer layoffs.

Glassman said the layoffs amounted to about \$3 million in savings, and both rounds of fur-

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David Glassman, Eastern president

loughs saved about \$1 million total. Therefore, administrators are looking into more cost-saving measures, such as expanding the furloughs to other groups.

"The expense cutting we did for fall for this year, in hindsight, has become highly favorable for us to do the things we have to do to get through," Glassman said. "That is, it could have been much, much worse."

Paul McCann, the interim vice president for business affairs, said 155 administrative and professional staff members have to take furlough days starting March 1.

Glassman said in the current round of layoffs, he has let go two of the six civil service employees in his area, one of whom was under intercollegiate athletics. Jeff Cross, the associate vice president for academic affairs, said 43 civil service personnel were laid off in his area, and some departments will have to consolidate clerical support to be able to make due with fewer staff members.

"It would be unreasonable to think the level of service will not be affected by their absence," Cross said.

He said some employees are being bumped into positions in other offices, so a period of training will be needed to bring their service up to an adequate level.

McCann said 104 of 234 civil service employees were given lay off notices in the business affairs division; facilities, planning and manage-

ment will lose about 80 people, and Information Technology Services will lose about 12.

"It is a very tough cut within the facilities area, and also tough in ITS, but percentage wise it is a significant portion of facilities," McCann said. "From the standpoint of what happens, within facilities we will be in a position where we will only be doing maintenance."

John Henderson, the assistant vice president for academic affairs for technology, said he has met with ITS, and they will try to keep computers running on campus through a priority system. People can call the help desk at 581-HELP, and the technicians in the Center for Academic Technology Support and ITS will pool together to get computers fixed.

"It won't be 24 hours like it has been; it may be a couple days, but I assure you classrooms are first, so there will be no effect on students," Henderson said.

Lynette Drake, the interim vice president for student affairs, said 24 positions were identified for elimination in student affairs, though 72 positions will be affected in some way by the process of bumping.

"Even though we had fewer positions eliminated, we are going to have a huge transition and turnover in the staff," she said.

She said about 219 civil service employees currently work in her division.

MAP Grant, community college bill gets vetoed

By Analicia Haynes
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Gov. Bruce Rauner vetoed a bill Friday that would have funded the Monetary Award Program Grants.

Senate Bill 2043 was sent to Rauner last Tuesday, and despite the requests from several Democratic lawmakers at a press conference held before the bill was sent, Rauner still vowed to veto it. The bill would have appropriated \$721 million for MAP Grants and community college programs.

The MAP Grant provides up to \$5,000 worth of financial aid to students who demonstrate need, according to the Illinois Student Assistance Commission website.

For the 2014-2015 fiscal year, a total of 128,399 students across Illinois received MAP Grants, and 43,167 students were from public four-year universities. From Eastern 2,416 students received MAP grants for FY14-15, according to the 2015 ISAC data book.

It has been eight months since higher learning institutions received state appropriations, and though the bill would not have funded public universities, Democrats said it would relieve some pressure, according to an article in *The Chicago Tribune*.

According to Rauner's veto message, he called the bill unconstitutional and vetoed it because it would go over the state's budget deficit, worsen the cash flow crisis, and place more stress on social service providers and vulnerable residents.

Rauner said the bill would spend money the state does not have, and he put the blame on the General Assembly for not being able to put forth a plan composed of cost-savings reforms such as the ones he proposed in his turnaround agenda. In his message, Rauner introduced three bills that he said would offer a better and constitutional plan to fund higher education.

House Bill 4539 and Senate Bill 2349 would appropriate \$1.6 billion for higher education programs, and Senate Bill 2789 would give the governor, comptroller and treasurer the authorization to reallocate funds and reduce spending in other areas.

President David Glassman said he is disappointed that the bill was vetoed.

"All universities and community colleges that have honored MAP Grants for our students should be entitled to receive reimbursement from the state," Glassman said.

Glassman said he believes there will be a bill passed to support funding for the grants and higher education, and lawmakers are working on developing new bills that will enact funding for higher education and MAP awards.

According to Capitol Fax, Senate President John Cullerton said Rauner let down students again, and he does not understand how Rauner can propose funding student financial aid then turn around and veto it.


Glassman said he believes the MAP Grants will continue for the next school year, and he has every expectation that there will be no interruption of Eastern's educational opportunities this summer, next fall and for many decades to come.

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AIS brings unity in Global Cultural Night

By Janet Pernell
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Students from countries around the world gathered in a night of cultural exchange at this year’s Global Culture Night put on Saturday by the Association of International Students.

Global Cultural Night consisted of people from the countries of India, Kenya, China, the United States, Sri Lanka, Nepal, Ireland, Saudi Arabia, Middle East, Nigeria and Ghana.

Flags representing different countries surrounded the stage and curved the front of the ballroom. The stage carried spinning, colored disco balls on the edge of the stage along with strobe lights. Other interior designs included gold and silver balloons with different colored balloon weights for added décor on the tables.

Kevin Vicker, the director of international students and scholars, came to support the event and said the it promotes unity.

“It just brings a very unique opportunity for EIU and for everyone to come together and really see the tremendous diversity we have here,” Vicker said.

Global Cultural Night has been at Eastern for some time now. The previous name for Global Cultural Night was “Sounds of The World,” and it was changed to make an even bigger statement.

“This makes it broader to encompass all the different activities and performances that take place,” Vicker said.

The event kicked off with a mash up 2015 American hits while playing the beat of “I Can’t Feel My Face” by The Weeknd with snippets of lyrics



T’NERRA BUTLER | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Ebede Beluchukwu, a graduate student, and Tinuke Laguda, a graduate student, walk the stage during the Global Cultural Night fashion show on Saturday in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The two are from Nigeria and are wearing garments from their home country.

of songs like “Bad Blood” by Taylor Swift, “Drag Me Down” by One Direction and many more.

After these, the mash-up “Kamili” by Sunidhi Chauhan came on, a song that originated from India.

People in representation of their countries were wearing the corresponding attire. Indian women had on colored saris. Men from India were dressed in elegant sherwanis. Woman of the Middle East had on traditional hijabs. Middle Eastern men were wearing patterned keffiyehs.

During the show, the students performed traditional pieces from China, Ireland, Nepal, India, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria and America.

jira said.

Wanjira is the only exchange student from Kenya, and she represented Kenya during the show.

“Eastern Illinois University is a school with so many diversities, people from all walks of life and countries of the world,” Ebede said.

During intermission, Wanjira and Ebede presented the audience with a game called the “Balloon Race.” The game consisted of four men and four women from the audience to race with balloons between their legs to the finish line. If the balloon fell, the contestants were not allowed to touch the balloon with their hands.

Wanjira presented the audience with “musical chairs” as the second game. The same rules applied in a normal game of musical chairs, with the only difference being the contestants to dance to the music while circling around the chairs before sitting down when the music stops.

After the games, there were more performances like singing and dancing and an international fashion show. The fashion show consisted of people wearing pieces like saris, hijabs, geles, dresses, tuxedos, etc. After the show, there was music playing and people gathered on the stage to dance with one another.

“Seeing everyone come together and experience various diverse performances and cultures that we have here at EIU ad a chance to really see that come together on one night,” Vicker said. “It’s always a great activity to be a part of and see our students really work hard and put that together.”

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Untold Truth to show 'Black Wall Street' film

By T’Nerra Butler
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As a way to pay homage to the annual African-American Heritage Month events calendar, the Untold Truth will be showing the documentary “Black Wall Street.”

This screening will be at 7 p.m. Monday in the Lumpkin Hall Auditorium.

Zachary Booth, the president of the Untold Truth, said it all started in Tulsa, Okla., where African-American owned businesses were destroyed by hate crimes, including bombs and riots.

This documentary explains a time in the early 1990s where African-Americans were working toward owning business but lost them to hate, Booth said.

“As the Untold Truth we look to inform the campus what the histo-

ry books wouldn’t teach,” Booth said. “This is something that is not in the textbooks, but needs to be known.”

This screening will be an eye opener when it comes to how those businesses were built, sustained and then destroyed through hate, Booth said.

“There are a lot of misconceptions about black businesses said,” Booth said. “There’s this thinking that black people can’t be entrepreneurs because that system is not made for us when really we set a standard, we have business savvy people.”

Booth said the incidents were an act of terrorism. He said oftentimes people correlate that word with forces from another country, but Americans did these events.

“This screening will provide a lot of context to the word terrorism,” Booth said.

The Black Wall Street incidents are occurrences that are hardly talked

about in the African-American community, Booth said. After the screening, Booth said a discussion between members of the organization and audience members would follow.

“I don’t want this to be a class outside of class,” Booth said. “This is something that people should want to see because this is something that people don’t know about.”

After watching the documentary, Booth said he felt that it was something the students of campus needed to see. He said they are showing it in hopes of enlightening and educating students.

“There is no stress; it’s not like I’m going to quiz you,” Booth said. “This is just information and education. This is something that should make you walk out of Lumpkin Hall and say ‘oh my gosh I learned something new about myself.’”

Booth said his goal is to unite the

minds of Eastern’s campus and make them strive for better things.

Thomas Wilson, the vice president of the organization, said this screening is a piece of history, and for history to not repeat itself, people need to know what happened.

“The event will help everyone become enlighten on things we don’t want to happen,” Wilson said. “As well as get an idea on how to prevent things of this nature in the future.”

Wilson said it is often hard for students to pick up books and read about their history, and they need someone else to relay the message instead.

“Sometimes it’s hard to read books or watch the news in college, so we did the reading and will present them with the key information,” Wilson said.

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Former officer writes on motivational interviews

By Luis Martinez
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Police officers are taught in basic training about “verbal judo,” a way to deescalate different situations they may encounter when on their rounds.

David Closson, now the assistant director of the Illinois Higher Education Center, was a former Eastern police officer that started using a new technique to help de-escalate different situations called “motivational interviewing”.

In 2015, Closson wrote a book titled “Motivational Interviewing for Campus Police,” which talks about incorporating this kind of interviewing into campus police departments.

Closson said he remembers the moment when he first implemented his “motivational interviewing” skills when he received a call to Taylor Hall that became the first step in what would eventually lead him to writing his book.

Closson said Jessica Ward, the assistant director of student standards, was impressed at how he handled the situation with his skills.

“After using motivational interviewing on a call at Taylor Hall, Jessica pulled me aside and said she has never seen an officer take such an interest in a student and have a heartfelt conversation with them. She thought it was amazing,” Closson said. “That was when the light bulb went off in my mind; this needed to be a thing. I saw writing this book as the first step in sharing this with the country.”

Closson said the departments have been fairly receptive and supportive of the concept, although the biggest challenge is spreading the word to different departments across the country.

“The book is a communication style designed to increase and strengthen a person’s own internal motivation to change their behavior,” Closson said. “I saw firsthand the positive impact that police officers using

motivational interviewing had for the students. It also led to a great sense of fulfillment for me, knowing and seeing that a conversation can make such a big difference in students’ lives.”

Closson presented his book and his finding at the NASPA Strategies Conference: Alcohol and Other Drugs in Orlando, Florida back in January, and he will attend both the Missouri’s Meeting of the Minds Conference in April and the IACLEA Conference in June.

Closson said the biggest challenge he faced as a police officer was trying to overcome students’ misconceptions of police.

“They often expressed that we are ‘out to get them’ and just want to write a bunch of tickets,” Closson said. “In all reality, we care about all of the students’ safety and well-being. We genuinely want to help.”

Closson was first introduced to this new technique of interviewing back in 2012 after co-teaching an alcohol



David Closson

prevention class.

According to the press release, Heather Webb, the director of the office of student standards, was the one to originally encourage Closson to teach the class because she felt like Closson would be a natural at the interviewing style.

“Dr. Heather Webb first suggested I help co-teach some of the student standards classes. In order to do that, I went to two training workshops which covered motivation interviewing,” Closson said. “I then brought those skills on patrol with me to develop the method for the book.”

The important thing about motivational interviewing is that it is not an interrogation technique.

“Motivational interviewing is student centered and student driven. I don’t have a hidden agenda,” Closson said. “I simply talk to them about where they want to go in life, what motivates them, and support them in that they do have the power to make a change in their life.”

Jessica Ward and Heather Webb were unable to be reached for comment.

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Past editorial adviser, current News staff win awards

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Several students from *The Daily Eastern News* and a former director of student publications took home awards this past weekend at the 33rd annual Illinois College Press Association Convention.

John Ryan, the former director and editorial adviser for *The Daily Eastern News*, won the Meritorious Service Award for serving 29 years as an officer, including two terms as president, for ICPA.

Ryan said the Eastern journal-

ism department served as the head quarters for ICPA when John David Reid, Ryan’s predecessor, and a few other people got it restarted in the early 1980s.

Ryan said the reason why he and others had to be involved for many years was to make sure the organization kept moving forward.

“Eastern is instrumental in keeping it (ICPA) going,” Ryan said.

Ryan said ICPA is great to have every year and acts as a way for students to see what is going on at other colleges.

“It’s a way to stay connected

with the entire state,” Ryan said.

Although students may act like it is not a big deal, Ryan said it is a big time deal because of the amount of successful alumni who attend and often speak at the convention.

Ryan said ICPA is not only a great way for students to see how their work is compared to other schools, it helps them start networking for the future.

“It’s a good group with a good purpose, and it’s fun seeing all the people,” Ryan said. “It’s a good experience.”

Students had the opportunity to submit work they did throughout the year and compete to see whose articles reigned supreme.

Jehad Abbed, the former assistant news editor, placed second for his news story and Kevin Hall, the former assistant photo editor, placed third for his photo essay.

Blake Nash, the former assistant sports editor, placed third for headline writing and Jarad Jarmon, the former managing editor, placed third for his classified layouts.

Jason Howell, the online editor for *The Daily Eastern News*, placed

third for both the online news site and his submitted general news photo and received an honorable mention for his sports photo.

Kaitlyn Siegert, the former managing editor, and Cayla Maurer, the former *Verge* editor, received an honorable mention for their entertainment supplement.

Stephanie Markham, the current editor-in-chief, also received an honorable mention for her editorial.

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Cassie Buchman

Following through is important

If there's one thing I hate, it's when people don't follow through on things they say they will do.

Don't get me wrong, if something else comes up throughout the day, I understand.

Life happens. Emergencies, whether they are personal, scholastic, work-related or otherwise, come up.

However, I do not think it is asking too much to let people know when these things come up.

I start to think it is disgraceful when people flake out whenever you ask them to do something, especially when there is no excuse besides not wanting to do it.

While it may not seem like a big deal to the person who "forgets" or just gets lazy, it hurts the person who needed to get whatever the thing was done.

When someone says they will do something, even if it's small, and it turns out it wasn't done, it is disrespectful to the person who asked.

It says, "Your needs are not important to me." And let me tell you, it makes it a hell of a lot easier to just take on everything by yourself, and never ask for help.

After all, the only way to make sure something gets done is to do it yourself, right?

Which is not the way life is supposed to be. Yes, we all need to be independent.

We should do as much as we can ourselves, and work as hard as we can to make sure our own stuff gets done.

But there will always come a point where it is almost impossible to take on a certain piece of work that is vital.

As I said before, life is unpredictable and no one is immune to life's little emergencies.

Sometimes, it just gets too hard to take on everything at once.

Which is why it is important to be able and reach out to someone and say you need help.

But if it becomes routine or even expected that when you find the courage to reach out and ask for help, someone will say they will help you, then forget all about what they said they were going to do, it becomes easier to not ask for anything.

And this just fosters an unhealthy environment for all.

No one should be made to feel like the only person they can count on is themselves.

In a world as crazy as this, it should not be out of the norm to be able to lean on others.

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Not the Change We Were Looking For



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Staff Editorial

Rauner's address ignores universities

Gov. Bruce Rauner's annual budget address last Wednesday was more a display of power than a concrete solution.

What made it more interesting, though, is that in the midst of displaying his power by vowing not to back down from his ideas, Rauner also asked for more power via executive authority to go forward with his version of the budget.

While acknowledging that going eight months without a budget is "shocking" and "not even close" to acceptable, he managed to frame the issue as entirely the fault of the General Assembly.

Although no branch has been angelic in this situation, the executive certainly amounts to a good portion of the blame.

Instead, Rauner proclaimed that the public was sick of "this pointless cycle of votes and vetoes" as if he has had no part in the process.

It is understandable that he wanted to be firm in his assertion that he would not approve anything that puts Illinois in more debt.

However, when it gets to the point that more than half the year is over, there comes a time when both sides need to be willing to budge.

Implying that he will not back down will not inspire Democrats and Republicans in the Gen-

eral Assembly to set aside their differences and work together.

Being stubborn is what he has been doing all along, and it has not exactly resulted in any form of success.

The only part of his speech where he showed any sign of wavering, however slight, was when he talked about his turnaround agenda.

He said not every item would need to be passed, but some reforms are needed, claiming that even a portion of his recommendations would result in a balanced budget and billions in surplus funds within a few years.

Depending on what specifically and how much he is willing to compromise, this could be a step in the right direction toward real decisions and actions being made in the future.

But the biggest disappointment of Rauner's speech came with how he addressed the issue of higher education funding—by saying nothing at all.

Hundreds of college students from all across the state were present at the Capitol protesting the lack of appropriations.

Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago State University, Eastern and others were all united in their voices of dismay at the lack of state support and the real effects it is having on

people at those respective universities.

Obviously Rauner is not going to cave and give into demands just because of a large group of protestors. He is the governor and has the authority to listen to the concerns of constituents and make changes how he sees fit.

However, it was a slap in the face to everyone present to not even mention higher education funding.

His pledge to increase funding for K-12 education is noble and certainly appreciated by many; however, it is hypocritical to go on about how vital education is while neglecting to acknowledge that it goes beyond high school.

Though he did propose a sizeable cut of 30 percent in the beginning, Rauner's fiscal year 2016 and 2017 budgets do have plans to fund higher education, including additional funding for performance outcomes.

Saying anything at all would have been better than ignoring the problem.

Regardless of whether or not Rauner actually does care about the future of Illinois colleges and universities, we heard his message loud and clear through his silence—that he is not listening.

The daily editorial is the majority opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Find a major you actually like studying

There is this idea that when you get to college for your freshman year, you're supposed to know what you want to do for the rest of your life.

If that is true then no wonder so many college students are stressed out about the future. How can you know what you want to do at just 18 years old?

The University of La Verne in California reported that generally about 50 percent of college students enter a university with an undecided major.

The university also reported that 50 to 70 percent of college students change their major at least once, but most will change it three times before finding something they are passionate about.

Changing your major can be one of the most stressful things you can do because you question and second guess yourself if this is the right decision for you to make.

While it is one of the more stressful decisions a student makes, it can also be one of the most rewarding.

Why pursue a major in something if you are not enjoying what you are studying?

I changed both my major and minor a few years ago because I wasn't enjoying what I was studying.

I couldn't picture myself in the future being happy in the work field I had said I would do as



Chris Picazo

an incoming freshman.

You're not required to have a major your freshman year of college, so find something that sparks your interest. Take classes or join a club that sounds interesting to you. Those decisions are what could lead you into finding something you enjoy.

Before I transferred to Eastern, I joined one of the student publications at the university I previously attended just to try something new. I found that what I did was 100 times more enjoyable than what I was studying.

I changed my major by the end of that semester, and it was a decision I never looked back on.

Forbes reported back in 2014 that 52.3 percent of individuals are unhappy with the work

they do.

In 2013, *Business Insider* reported on a survey done by Chegg and found that nearly 50 percent of the 4,900 recent graduates surveyed said they wish they had chosen a different major while at school.

These numbers should not be that high. One of the worst feelings is genuinely not enjoying what you are doing. If that's the case, and it happens, go talk to your adviser. It's better to find something you enjoy than forcing yourself through school doing something you hate.

If you enjoy what you do, it wouldn't feel like work. You would put all the effort you have to do as well as you possibly can and get involved with groups related to your major.

It's not something you are required to have figured out as a high school junior taking the ACT or SAT, and it's OK if you don't know day one of your freshman year.

Most people don't. You don't want to be a senior walking across the stage to get a degree in a major you didn't enjoy studying.

Don't pursue something you don't enjoy doing. That could just make the college experience more stressful and regretful.

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Alum writes murder mystery with local setting

By Abbey Whittington
Staff Reporter | @DEN_News

Eastern alum and Lakeland College Chief of Police Randy Ervin has published his new murder mystery novel “What Goes Around” which uses local areas in Charleston and Mattoon as its setting.

Ervin graduated in 1989 with a bachelor’s of arts degree in sociology and went back to school in 1992 to earn his master’s degree in community counseling.

Ervin said his interest in writing started with his early love for reading, and mysteries and thrillers were his favorite.

So far Ervin has published three books. The first is a fictional mystery novel called “Maycroft from 232nd” written 10 years ago with a younger target audience of elementary school students.

“The book starts out with a prologue about a couple who leaves a frat party. The two end up at a house where the woman ends up being raped and murdered, and the case goes unsolved.”

-Randy Ervin, author and Lakeland College Chief of Police

When this book was published, Ervin’s daughters were this age, and he said he wrote it for them. This was his first attempt at writing a book, and he published it himself.

Ervin’s second book was a nonfiction work on a state trooper that was murdered in Effingham during the 1970s called “An Ordinary Day, The Story of Trooper Layton Davis.”

Ervin said he met Layton Davis’ son while studying at Lakeland, and after hearing the story and doing more research he decided to write a book about what happened.

His third and most recent book,

“What Goes Around,” is his first full-length murder mystery novel which takes place in the Charleston and Mattoon area. Ervin began writing the manuscript eight or nine years ago.

“The book starts out with a prologue about a couple who leaves a frat party. The two end up at a house where the woman ends up being raped and murdered, and the case goes unsolved,” Ervin said.

Ervin said after the prologue, the story is set 20 years after the murder. During this first chapter an undercover narcotics agent is ambushed

and murdered after meeting a local drug dealer, and this case also goes unsolved.

“The partner of the officer who is killed is concerned about the unsolved case, so he starts to look into things on his own,” Ervin said. “When he does, he not only discovers information that points to who the killer is, but he also learns that there is a tie between the rape and murder from 20 years ago.”

Once the connection is made, the officer is on the run to serve justice for the woman and his partner’s cases.

Ervin said he will continue to write, and he is currently working on two different pieces. The first one will possibly be titled “Famous Cops You’ve Never Heard Of” and is going to be a collection of stories about obscure police officers.

For example, one of the stories Ervin will focus on is a Unibomber victim, a campus police officer who was first on the scene.

The other novel he is working on is about a serial-killing vigilante who tracks down and murders pedophiles.

Ervin said this character believes he is doing society a favor by ridding the world of these people.

Anyone who is interested in purchasing Ervin’s work can contact him at 217-246-7170 or reach out to him via email. The novel is \$10.

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Soul Train Trivia



JOSH SAXTON | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Deja Dade, a sophomore communication studies major, unscrambles letters during a trivia game at the ‘80s- and ‘90s- themed Soul Train event in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union on Friday.

RHA to host 2017 conference

Staff Report | @DEN_News

The 2017 Illinois Residence Hall Association conference will be hosted at Eastern next February.

Greta Dieter, a junior political science major, said four Eastern students went to this year’s conference at St. Francis in Joliet to present their bid. The other school trying to host it was the University of Illinois-Chicago.

“Sara Kennedy, Austin Delaney, John Jaso and Lauren Adams presented a bid and skit against UIC,” Dieter said. “There was then a discussion with questions and answers and voting amongst the national communication coordinators and (National Residence Hall Honorary) communication coordinators from other schools like NIU, NCC, WIU, and DePaul.”

Dieter said last year there was talk about dissolving the IRHA program.

Marissa Damore, a sophomore family and consumer sciences major, said this was her first IRHA conference and she is excited that Eastern is hosting the next one.

The Eastern delegation also took home awards, including best roll call, top “Of The Month” submissions, most spirited, three top ten programs, and Tyler Reynolds, a senior mathematics major, won the NRHH outstanding member of the year award.

Dieter was also named the new president of IRHA.

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Jonathan McKenzie, the executive officer of the EIU Foundation, said five civil service employees were laid off in the area of university advancement. Glassman said he is not sure which funding proposal will

end up getting approved, but he believes it will happen and hopes it is soon. “What we need is compromise and discussion across the aisle,” Glassman said. “I’m neutral as most people know because higher education needs

(to be) non-partisan. We all believe in it; it’s just other things happening not allowing that to take place.”

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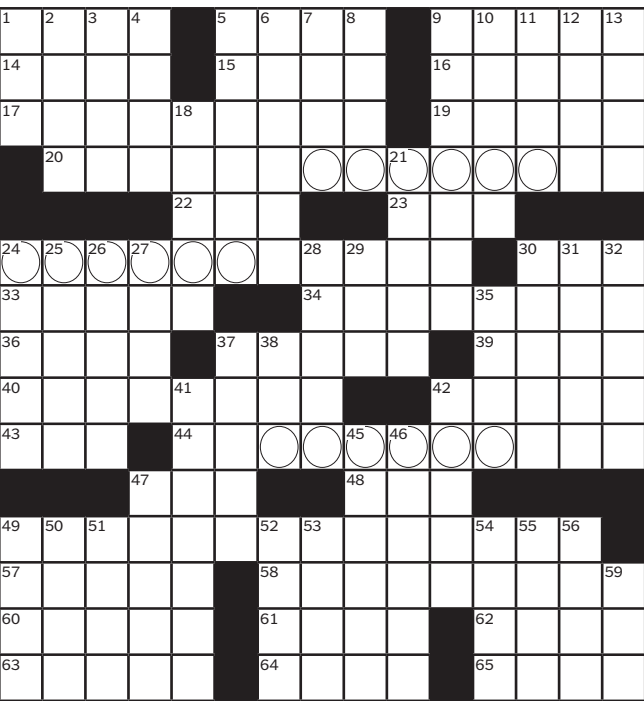
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Panthers start season off slow with 0-3 series

By Maher Kawash
Staff Reporter | @DEN_Sports

The Eastern baseball team hit the road for its first series of the season and got off to a rough start.

The Panthers took on Southern Mississippi in a three-game series over the weekend and came away with a 0-3 record to start the season.

The series got off to a bad start for the Panthers when they dropped the first game 6-1.

Eastern got out to an early 1-0 lead in the game, until the Golden Eagles used a three-run fourth inning to run away with the game.

Sophomore Frankie Perrone scored the lone run of the game for the Panthers on a single from sophomore Cale Hennemann.

Senior Matt Wivinis started the game on the mound for Eastern, and pitched a scoreless first inning.

The Golden Eagles scored their first run of the game in the 2nd inning and never looked back from there.

Wivinis took the loss after he pitched five innings and finished with four strikeouts, two walks and an Earned Run Average of five.

After a tough start to the series in game one, the Panthers had a chance to bounce back in game two. Instead, Southern Mississippi ran away with an easy 18-1 victory over Eastern.

Junior Michael McCormick was the starting pitcher for the Panthers, and he fell behind early on.

The Golden Eagles opened scoring in the first inning, and got to McCormick with two runs.

Eastern answered by scoring one run in the second inning after Hennemann doubled to center field bringing in Perrone to trim the deficit to one.

Following that, the Panther's bats went silent, and Southern Mississippi went on to have a big day.

The Golden Eagles ran McCormick after scoring five runs in the second inning to extend their lead.

McCormick was replaced after just 2 innings pitched, but Eastern still had no answer for Southern Mississippi's offense.

Senior Jake Johansmeier was brought in to stop the scoring, but allowed four runs in 1 inning pitched.

The Golden Eagles went on to score 16 straight runs in the game, finishing with 18 and giving the Panthers their second loss of the season.

With two bad games to start the season, Eastern had motivation to turn things around quickly.

In the final game of the series, the Panthers suffered arguably the toughest loss of the three to start the season.

Senior Brendon Allen started out on the mound for Eastern, and he pitched well to start the game.

After three innings of scoreless baseball, the Golden Eagles got out to a 1-0 lead in the fourth inning.

The Panthers answered by tying the game in the fifth inning on a single from Hennemann that brought in Perrone from second base.

After holding them in the bottom half of the inning, Eastern came back in the 6th inning to score three runs



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Former pitcher Matt Doherty pitches the ball to the player from St. Louis April 28, 2015 in Coaches Stadium.

and take a 4-1 lead.

Although things looked promising for the Panthers, they quickly found themselves in another hole.

Eastern gave up one run in the bottom half of the 6th as they still led 4-2. In the seventh inning, sophomore Andy Fisher was brought in to hold the lead for the Panthers.

Fisher was unable to hold Southern Mississippi as he gave up two runs in

the inning.

Two home runs from the Golden Eagles in the bottom of the eighth sealed Eastern's fate as they lost the final game of the series 6-4.

Fisher dropped to 0-1 on the season as he took the loss, and the Panthers dropped to 0-3 as their first series of the season came to a close.

Eastern will have little time to dwell on the series loss as they pre-

pare to face yet another tough opponent ahead.

The Panthers will turn their focus to their next game on the road against Vanderbilt, the 2014 College World Series Champion, at 3 p.m. Wednesday.

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Eastern women's basketball team loses big to SEMO

By Mark Shanahan
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A poor shooting performance led to an 82-52 loss for women's basketball against Southeast Missouri on Saturday night.

The Panthers scored just nine points in both the first and second quarters.

They allowed SEMO to take over the game from the start.

SEMO led 34-18 at the end of the first half.

Eastern lost its second straight game as they fall to 3-23 on the season and 2-12 in the Ohio Valley Conference.

The Panthers ended their 21-

game losing streak to SEMO Feb. 6 when they won 64-59.

Eastern went on to take down Austin Peay the following game.

The winning streak ended Wednesday night with an overtime loss to Murray State 74-71.

With the win, the Redhawks improve to 15-12 overall on the season and 8-6 in OVC play.

The Panthers tied the game 9-9 at the 2:56 mark with a three pointer from freshman Halle Stull.

SEMO went on to score the final seven points of the quarter and led 16-9 after the first quarter.

They followed up in the second quarter with a 9-0 run.

Sophomore Jalisha Smith ended

the run, and she was Eastern's leading scorer with 12 points and five rebounds.

Eastern cut the lead down to 10 with a little over three minutes remaining in the first half.

SEMO closed out the half with a 7-1 run and they led 34-18. The Panthers shot 17 percent in the first half, while SEMO shot 45 percent.

Eastern put up a fight to start the second half, but they trailed 59-33 with 1:55 left in the third quarter after SEMO went on a 14-3 run.

The Redhawks led the Panthers 64-38 heading into the fourth quarter. The largest lead came in the final period after SEMO scored

the first five points to make the score 69-38.

Eastern was able to cut into the lead by scoring eight straight points, but that was not enough for them to get back into the game.

Eastern finished with a 26 percent shooting average.

SEMO outscored them in the paint 44-18.

SEMO had four players score double-digits led by Brianna Mitchell with a team high of 22 points.

Erin Bollman had 15 points and four rebounds.

Imani Johnson led SEMO in rebounds with 10.

The Redhawks also had 34

points off the bench, and Eastern had 17.

Sophomore Grace Lennox had nine points, four rebounds and three assists for the Panthers.

Junior Erica Brown finished the game with eight points and six rebounds.

The Panthers will play their final road game of the season on Wednesday against UT Martin.

Eastern will end the season on Saturday in Lantz Arena against Southern Illinois Edwardsville.

This will also be Eastern's third straight losing season.

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Women's tennis team falls to SIUC

By Kaitlin Cordes
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The Eastern women's tennis team's match against Southern Illinois University Carbondale marked a back-to-back 5-2 loss, mirroring last year's meeting between the two teams.

Eastern lead the way in doubles play. Senior Hannah Kimbrough and her partner, sophomore Grace Summers, competed at the No.1 position, edging Xiwei Cai and Ana Sofia Cordero in a tight 7-6 (5) match.

The duo of senior Ali Foster and junior Kelly Iden topped the Salukis' Vitoria Beirao and Meagan Monaghan 6-4.

The No. 3 matchup between Eastern's freshman Srishti Slaria and junior Kamile Stadalninkaite and their Saluki opponents, Athena Chrysanthou and Polina Dozortseva, went 6-6 in the first set. The match remained unfinished.

The Panthers earned just one win on the singles side from Summers. The sophomore faced Monaghan in the No.3 matchup. The two took their first set to a tiebreaker with Summers pulling out a 7-5 set win. Monaghan ended the second set with a 6-4 victory and took the match to a third set. Summers managed to topple her Saluki opponent, winning 10-6.

The Salukis dominated in the remaining five singles matches.

Iden met Cai for play at the No.1 spot, losing her two set match 6-1, 6-2.

Foster played a hard fought match against Chrysanthou but ended up taking a 6-3, 7-5 (5) loss.

Kimbrough and Cordero competed at the No. 4 spot, and Kimbrough took the loss in a pair of 6-3 set scores.

Stadalninkaite was defeated in a tough loss to Katie Fries at the No. 5 position, earning just one game win in her 6-0, 6-1 loss.

Freshman Abby Carpenter rounded out the singles competition in her match against Yana Golovkina. The match went into yet another tiebreaker. Carpenter could not get over the hump, and Golovkina won in a 6-7, 6-4 (10-6) decision.

The loss moves the Panthers to 4-3 overall. The Salukis are now 7-4 after a 4-2 loss to Central Arkansas in their second match of the weekend.

Eastern Illinois has won just one of their four meetings with Southern Illinois University Carbondale since the 2012-2013 season.

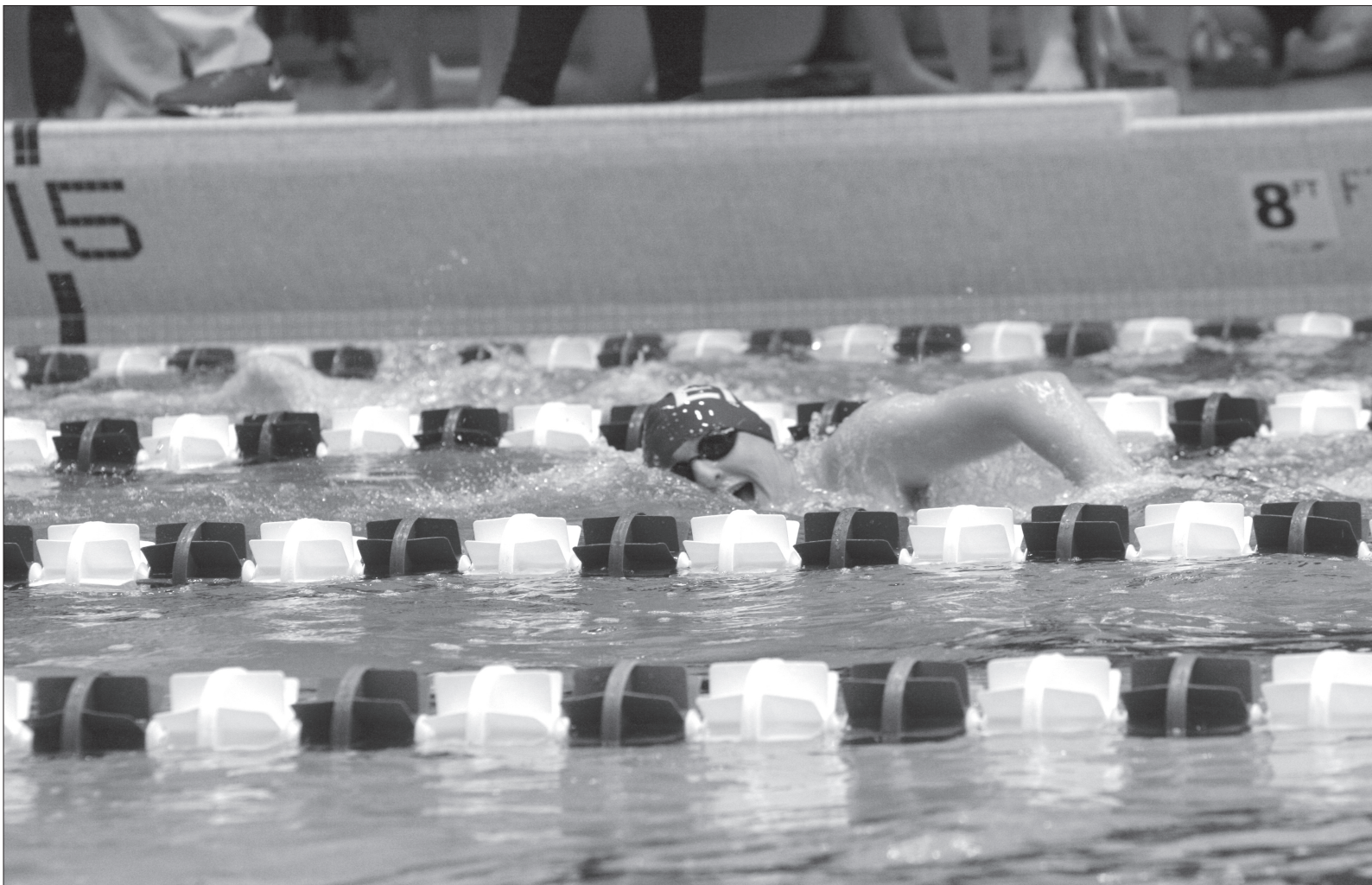
Currently, in Ohio Valley Conference standings, no teams have faced an OVC opponent. Tennessee State, Murray State, and Eastern Illinois hold the top three ranks with their overall records.

Tennessee State is 1-0 overall, Murray State has won two of its three matchups and Eastern rounds out the top three.

The Panthers will host their first OVC match up on March 18 against Southeast Missouri.

The Panthers will head to Indiana to meet with the Purple Aces of the University of Evansville on Saturday for an evening matchup at the Tri-State Athletic Club.

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Freshman freestyle swimmer Jason Manning swims the 1000-yard freestyle against Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis Oct.17 at the Padovan Pool.

Eastern swimmers break school records

By Sean Hastings
Sports Editor | @DEN_Sports

The Eastern men and women swimmers combined for 29 top-15 finishes, including five new school records in the final two days of the Summit League Championships.

The Panthers combined to set six school records over the weekend.

"Setting six school records over the course of the weekend was extremely exciting," coach Jacqueline Michalski said. "I was proud not only of those student athletes but of all of the swimmers who improved their times over the weekend."

The men and women both finished in sixth place.

Sophomore Brandon Robbins' time of 56.82 in the 100 yard breaststroke prelims Friday night earned him a new program record for Eastern.

Robbins took eighth in the event with a time of 56.96. Fellow sophomore Matt Jacobs finished just under a second after Robbins in the prelims with a time of 57.24, which was good enough for fourth in Eastern history.

Robbins will also have his name on the records board at Padovan Pool as he broke the 200-breaststroke record as well. He turned in a time of

2:04.57.

"It was really exciting," Robbins said. "I wasn't expecting to break the 100 record. I was pretty far off it last year at conference, so to do that this year gave me a confidence boost going into the 200 on Saturday."

Robbins said he felt relief after he broke the 200-yard record. He was close last year, and it was a goal to break it this year.

Sophomore Stephen Truchon also cracked the Eastern top 10 for the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 51.35. Truchon finished in 13th place in the event.

Freshman Lauren Oostman cracked the top 10 in both the 100 and 200-yard backstrokes. Oostman broke the 200-yard backstroke record with a time of 2:03.32.

Oostman's goggles were blurry when she finished the race and could not see the clock for her time.

"I had to look over at my teammates to see if I got it or not," Oostman said. "When they all started cheering I knew I got it, and I just felt such a relief because that moment was what I have been working for this entire season. It was a great feeling knowing all that hard work paid off."

She moved into third all-time in

the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 57.61, just under a second slower than the current Eastern record.

Sophomore Dani DiMatteo holds the fourth fastest time in Eastern history with her time of 58.25 in the 100-yard butterfly.

Sophomore Brogan O'Doherty also entered the record books for Eastern. He now holds the record for the 200-yard backstroke for the men with a time of 1:50.19.

O'Doherty also had the best finish for Eastern on Saturday coming in fourth place in the event.

He said he knew he broke the record before he even saw his time because the whole team was at the edge of the pool "going crazy."

"It was phenomenal (to break the record), definitely the most rewarding part of my swimming career so far," O'Doherty said. "I have had my eyes on that record since I first came to Eastern almost three years ago now."

O'Doherty almost set the record his freshman year but missed it by about half of a second.

Sophomore Steve Fishman is the team's other 200-yard backstroke swimmer, and he pushed O'Doherty all year in practice and meets. O'Doherty said he doesn't think he

could have gotten the record without racing him all the time.

Senior Kaylee Morris broke the 50-yard freestyle record earlier in the weekend. She came out in the final day and re-broke her 100-yard freestyle record that she set last year. Morris came in with a time of 51.29. This was Morris' final Summit League Championships.

Senior Kelsey Ferguson also cracked the top 10 in her final conference meet of her career. Ferguson moved to third all-time in the 200-yard breaststroke with a time of 2:24.46. Ferguson also holds the third fastest time in Eastern history for the 100-yard backstroke. Senior Joann Wakefield is in fourth for Eastern all-time.

Senior Fallyn Schwake holds the fourth best time for the 1,650-yard freestyle with a time of 17:44.76.

Junior Paige Eavenson moved to fifth all-time in the 200-yard butterfly with a time of 2:11.40.

The Panthers' season is over. Eastern saw growth on both the men and women's side with each seeing many time drops throughout the season.

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Men's basketball team wins tough OVC game

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The Eastern men's basketball team clinched a lead in the Ohio Valley Conference tournament, but it did not come easy.

The Panthers traveled to take on Southeast Missouri Saturday night, and came out with a 71-68 victory to end their three-game losing streak.

With the win, Eastern improved to 12-16 overall, and 8-7 in OVC play.

Getting their eighth win came with some difficulty though, as the Panthers came out with a win in a game against the last place Redhawks.

Eastern once held a 16-point lead in the game, but Southeast Missouri had a late comeback to make things tougher for the Panthers.

The Panthers made just two of their last 10 shots to close the game, as SEMO closed the deficit. Sophomore Cornell Johnston drained a three to give the Panthers a 69-61 lead with 38 seconds left in the game.

Junior Demetrius McReynolds, freshman Casey Teson and senior Trae Anderson led the way as they finished the game in double-figures for the Panthers. McReynolds scored 19, and Teson added 14 and Anderson finished with 12 as EIU shot 46 percent in the game.

The Panthers used a 13-2 run to open the second half, and pushed their 30-29 lead to double-digits.

Teson scored eight, and freshman Marshawn Blackmon added four points to lead that run for the Panthers.

Teson has had a breakout campaign in his first year at Eastern, as he inches closer to the school record for three-pointers made in a season.

After Saturday's win, Teson is just six three-pointers away from the record, which is currently held by Roman Martin.

While the offense was clicking for most of the game, it was the Panthers' defense that proved to be crucial down the stretch.

Eastern held SEMO to shooting just 39 percent from the field and 33 percent from deep. The Panthers continued to struggle with their size, as they lost the rebounding battle 43-36.

Although the Panthers gained a spot in the tournament, their chances of finishing the season atop the OVC West have diminished with just one

game left.

Eastern sits a game and a half behind UT-Martin and Murray State, who are tied for first place at 9-5 on the season.

The Racers will have an important matchup against the Skyhawks after they take on Eastern this week.

As the season winds down, the race in the West will finally wrap up with the conference tournament inching closer.

The Panthers will try to end their season with a win as they tip-off against Murray State 8:30 p.m. Thursday at in Lantz Arena.

The game will be broadcast live on CBS Sports Network.

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